

**From:** [McAteer, Mike](#)  
**To:** [Bond, Patrick](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Cleanup at Chester in Tyler County  
**Date:** Monday, April 08, 2013 9:09:53 AM

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Yes, I sent him an email but, I'm also waiting to hear back from Russell... he said he would respond quickly but, that was on Saturday and still no word.

I can't figure out where Dale's emails are going!

I'm still at the Mayflower Exxon spill in Arkansas.... not sure how long I will be here.... will keep you posted.

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**From:** Bond, Patrick [Patrick.Bond@WestonSolutions.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 08, 2013 8:51 AM  
**To:** McAteer, Mike  
**Subject:** RE: Cleanup at Chester in Tyler County

Good Morning Mike,

Were you able to follow up with Dale? Im not sure why his emails don't come through to your inbox, it appears that he is typing in the correct email address.

How are the cleanup activities looking at the Mayflower site?

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**From:** McAteer, Mike [mailto:mcateer.mike@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 05, 2013 5:11 PM  
**To:** Bond, Patrick  
**Subject:** RE: Cleanup at Chester in Tyler County

why am I not getting Dale's emails??!!

thanks for forwarding

mike

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**From:** Bond, Patrick [Patrick.Bond@WestonSolutions.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 05, 2013 11:09 AM  
**To:** McAteer, Mike  
**Subject:** Fwd: Cleanup at Chester in Tyler County

In response to Dales comments...

As we spoke last time while I was on site, we only noticed 10-12 locations that had debris coated in oil or oil leaching from the banks. So the reports of sheen does not surprise me, especially with the recent rainfall events.

From my last discussion with Russell, he said that they were planning on maintaining ~10 to 15 crew to come out two days of the week to clean the known buildup locations and conduct routine maintenance.

I'm interested in knowing how the hay bales performed with the rainfall.

Hope all is going well up there in Arkansas.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "[tylercountyemc@co.tyler.tx.us](mailto:tylercountyemc@co.tyler.tx.us)" <[tylercountyemc@co.tyler.tx.us](mailto:tylercountyemc@co.tyler.tx.us)>  
**Date:** April 5, 2013, 11:01:13 AM CDT  
**To:** "[mcateer.mike@epa.gov](mailto:mcateer.mike@epa.gov)" <[mcateer.mike@epa.gov](mailto:mcateer.mike@epa.gov)>, "Richards, Tobias" <[Tobias.Richards@WestonSolutions.com](mailto:Tobias.Richards@WestonSolutions.com)>, "Bond, Patrick" <[Patrick.Bond@WestonSolutions.com](mailto:Patrick.Bond@WestonSolutions.com)>  
**Cc:** Mary Randel <[mrandel.cojudge@co.tyler.tx.us](mailto:mrandel.cojudge@co.tyler.tx.us)>  
**Subject:** Cleanup at Chester in Tyler County

Yesterday, 04-04, I went to the Cleanup site and looked at the progress. Again, I must admit that the appearance is better than it was on previous occasions. It is getting better all the time.

I did notice that I could smell Crude Oil at the Hwy 1745 Bridge and I could see rainbow blobs of oil sheen on the surface of the water coming downstream. There was almost always a blob visible at all times. As one passed another would appear. The average size of the blobs was about quarter size and some of them were stretched out into ribbon shapes about six to eight inches long. Occasionally there were larger masses coming down stream at least one that I noticed was about six inches wide and about eighteen inches long. The booms are still at the location but the high water has them rearranged from what I remember them. I was concerned that even though the booms were present, it did not appear that there was any recovery efforts to pick up the oil that came to the booms.

When I checked the CR 2590 Bridge, I was surprised to note that the oil sheen was a lot less there than at the other bridge. There was an occasional blob of sheen maybe quarter size or less. This could mean that the cleanup of upper Otter Creek is near completion and the downstream areas are where the work is to be done. Again, booms were present but no indication of efforts to capture the oil.

I did not see any workers present but I did not get off the roads or go into the remote areas that are assessable through private property. However, I did not see any vehicle tracks that indicated traffic going into those areas.

Do you have any other information of the progress of this project?

I note there was a major spill in Houston (larger than this one) and hope it does not overwhelm you. Thanks for all that you do to insure the best possible recovery for our citizens and the environment.

Dale Freeman  
Tyler County EMC

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